

Notice of Allowability

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 01/23/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-12 and 14 - 24.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date 02/16/07.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

Examiners Amendment

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in an in person interview with *Jun Y. Lee* registration no. 40,262, on February 16 2007. Claims are being amended to overcome potential 101 issues, as well as to include added limitations in claims as proposed by applicant and supported in the specification.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

2. On line 10, before "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION" on page 5, please insert the paragraph below:

The invention may best be understood by referring to the following description and accompanying drawings that are used to illustrate embodiments of the invention. In the drawings:

Figure 1 illustrates an exemplary schematic arrangement of the event browser according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 2 illustrates an encapsulated constraint system collection phase according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 3 illustrates a generator debugger screen, with the event chart at the bottom presenting events and paths according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 4 illustrates an event chart, with fields and constraints on the left and generation event icons within the table according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 5A illustrates an order inferred by the generation group example for structure according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 5B illustrates cycles in ordering of generated fields according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

IN THE CLAIMS

3. Please amend Claims 1 – 8, 12 and 17 – 24.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended)

On line 1 replace, “ debugger for visual debugging of a declarative language encapsulated constraint system” with declarative language encapsulated constraint system having a debugger for visual debugging

On line 12, after “said collected generation entities” insert on a visual display

Claim 2 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 3 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 4 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 5 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 6 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 7 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace “debugger” with system

Claim 8 (Currently Amended)

On line 7, before "constraints" insert dynamically changing set of

Claim 12 (Currently Amended)

On line 5, before "constraints" insert dynamically changing set of

Claim 17 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, before "debugger" insert declarative language encapsulated constraint system having a

On line 4, before "constraint" insert dynamically changing set of

Claim 18 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 19 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 20 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 21 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 22 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 23 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Claim 24 (Currently Amended)

On line 1, replace "generation debugger" with system

Reasons for Allowance

4. Examiner has reviewed and considered Applicants amendments as indicated in Applicant's response dated 01/23/07 as well as Applicant's amendments of claims 1 - 12 and 14 - 24 per interview summary of 02/16/07. And based on Applicants comments on page 9 - 11 of his response (01/23/07) and also partly based on amendments as implemented above in amended claims section, claims are now in condition for allowance.

The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance.

The prior art of record does not teach or fairly suggest at least the limitations of:

"...said generation entities including fields representative of at least one data structure or variable and a dynamically changing set of constraints for defining relationships between respective fields, wherein said generation events corresponds to decisions executed during said test generation process to apply said constraints to said fields...and indicia describing the respective modifications resulting from said corresponding generation events upon said generation entities collected responsive to said generation decisions" and as best illustrated by figs. 2 and 3, in such a manner as recited in independent claims 1, 8, 12 and 17 and as indicated in Applicants response of 01/23/07 on pages 9 - 11.

Therefore, all claims 1 – 12 and 14 – 24 are in condition for allowance.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Correspondence Information

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chuck Kendall whose telephone number is 571-2723698. The examiner can normally be reached on 10:00 am - 6:30pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Dam can be reached on 571-2723695. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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